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SOUTHERN STAR

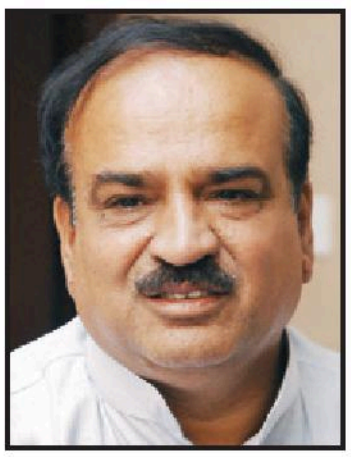
Union Minister Ananth Kumar passes away in Bengaluru

- **Last rites at Chamarajpet crematorium in Bengaluru tomorrow**
- **PM Modi expected to visit Bengaluru this evening to pay last respects**
- **Mortal remains to be kept for public darshan at National College Grounds**

Bengaluru, Nov.12- Union Parliamentary Affairs Minister H.N. Ananth Kumar died at a private hospital in Bengaluru in the early hours of today after battling lung cancer for several months. He was 59.

Hubballi Narayan Shastri Ananth Kumar was serving as Union Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers since May 2014 and Minister of Parliamentary Affairs since July 2016 in the Narendra Modi Government. He represented Bengaluru South Constituency in Lok Sabha and has been a Parliamentarian for six terms. In the 15th Lok Sabha, he defeated IT head-honcho Nandan Nilekani.

Ananth Kumar was diagnosed with lung cancer at an advanced stage in June. He underwent initial treatment in Sri Shankara Cancer Hospital and Research Centre in Bengaluru and then went to Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York. He returned 25 days ago and continued treatment at Shankara Hospital. Hospital Managing Trustee B.N. Srinath said that he battled cancer fiercely, however, the infection had spread to other organs and he succumbed to the disease. He breathed his last around 2 am today with his wife Dr. Tejaswini and two daughters Aishwarya and Vijetha beside him.



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H.N. Ananth Kumar,
Minister of Parliamentary Affairs & Chemicals and Fertilizers

Karnataka Governor Vajubhai Rudabhai Vala paying his last respects to Union Minister Ananth Kumar at the latter's residence in Basavanagudi, Bengaluru, this morning.

Last rituals will be performed tomorrow morning at his residence in Basavanagudi till 7 am and then the body will be shifted to National College Grounds for people to pay their last respects.

Ananth Kumar was an able administrator and a great asset to the BJP organisation. He worked hard to strengthen the Party in Karnataka, particularly in Bengaluru and surrounding areas. He was always accessible to his constituents," Narendra Modi tweeted.

Deeply pained to hear about Kumar's demise. He was a pro-people leader and a value-based politician," said Karnataka CM H.D. Kumaraswamy.

Cremation will take place at Chamarajpet crematorium.

Ananth Kumar was born in Bengaluru on July 22, 1959 to Narayan Shastri, a Railway employee, and Girija N. Shastri. Narayan Shastri was a native of Hubballi and he settled in Bengaluru due to his job in Railways.

Ananth Kumar is survived by his ailing mother Girija Shastri.

(See ANANTH KUMAR on page 8)

Mysuru condoles Ananth Kumar's untimely demise

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RKB&SR)- Condolences poured in from BJP leaders, party workers, littérateurs, art workers, elected representatives and people from various walks of life following the untimely death of Union Minister H.N. Ananth Kumar.

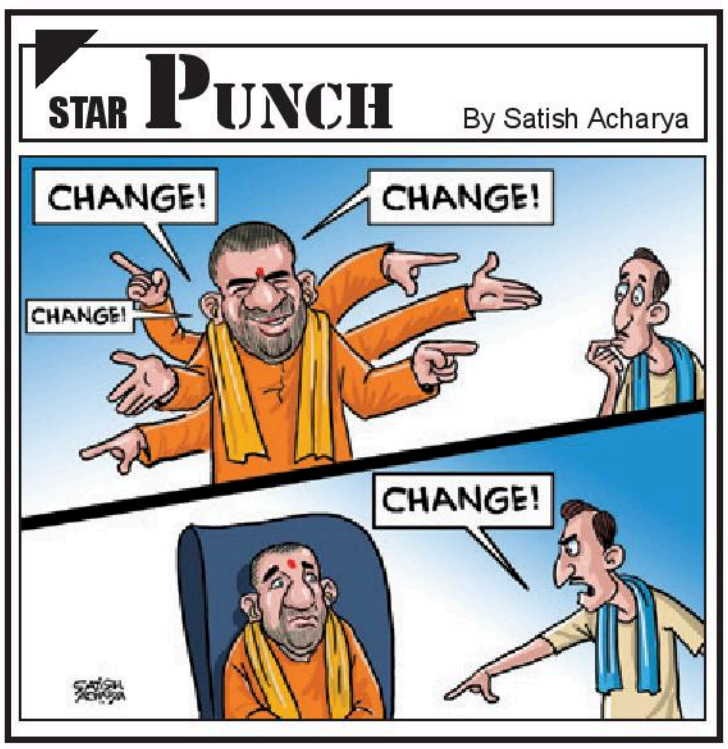
Groups of people and BJP leaders and workers gathered at various places and offered floral tributes to the portrait of the departed leader.

Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas along with party workers condoled the death by placing a portrait of Ananth Kumar in front of his (Ramdas) house at Vidyaranyapuram. BJP workers led by District BJP Vice-President H.V. Rajeev observed silence after offering floral tributes to Ananth Kumar's portrait at Chamundipuram Circle. Corporator M.V. Ramprasad, former Corporator M.D. Parthasarathy, Paramesh and others were present.

At the BJP Party Office, BJP Co-Spokesperson and State Slum Morcha General Secretary Raghu R. Kautilya, BJP National Council Member B.P. Manjunath, State BJP Secretary M. Rajendra, held a condolence meeting.

Noted littérateur Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa, Chamarajanagar Member of Parliament R. Dhruvanarayan and other prominent personalities also condoled the death. A condolence meeting was held at Mysuru Nagara Jilla Brahmanara Bruhat Samavesha Office at Chamundipuram. District Brahmana Sangha President D.T. Prakash, leaders M.V. Ramprasad and B.V. Manjunath were present.

At the Gandhiji bust in front of City Law Courts Complex, District Nayaka Yuva Vedike activists led by its President Paduvarahalli Ramakrishna also condoled the death.



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Candid Confession

Global agencies such as the World Health Organisation (WHO) publish findings of their surveys on many occasions with data and information relating to most of the countries across the world focusing on the status of the *health* of respective populations. As if to voice the health concerns of the land's masses in tandem with WHO, India's Prime Minister, who launched the *Swachata Abhiyan* on Oct. 2, 2014, appears on the small screen with the telling message that *swachata* (cleanliness) takes us on the path of *swastyatha* (wellness). But, the sections of the land's 135-crore headcount still not falling in line is not showing perceptible reduction in numbers, going by daily reports with graphics of untidy spaces in city limits, such as in Mysuru as projected by this daily regularly. This brings us to the issue of the land's disease burden riding on its garbage mass, throwing into focus role of the medical profession in mitigating misery of the masses.

The establishment of educational institutions in different branches of medicine to train the professionals, hospitals with equipment for diagnosis and treatment and also production of drugs in the country, together seem to have got *outpaced* by both the rise in the country's human population and the section falling into the clutches of many life-threatening and contagious afflictions.

The *intimate connect* between *diseases*, both common, such as allergies and the dreaded ones such as tuberculosis, malaria, cancer and rheumatic heart disease on one side and *lifestyle* marked by living in insanitary conditions, inappropriate food consumption, over-indulgence in habits of smoking and drinking alcoholic beverages, sedentary life and so on doesn't seem to be understood to the extent required even by the country's literati, not to the talk of the unlettered sections of the society. Practitioners of medicine in our times, unlike their counterparts of the past, are at a distinct disadvantage in not finding enough time to get a clear picture of the nature of ailment of their patients with the help of both diagnostic tools and narrative of the patient.

The names of diseases, findings of the diagnostic tests and the drugs prescribed by the doctors, being in English language, are Greek and Latin as it were to most people seeking medical help. In this backdrop, the report in a section of the press, based on a study carried out among first-year-medical students in India, that more than a third of them confessed candidly saying *"I am in it only for money"* should alert the land's masses to remind themselves to be wary about cleanliness.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

We can be patient with others only when our hearts are full of kindness and compassion. People who are patient and kind are those who look back in gratefulness to those were patient with them on their way up in life, they are those who inherit many blessings. The scriptures urge us. Be always humble, gentle, and patient. Show your love by being tolerant with one another. Take time off to go down memory lane and think of all the people in your life who have been kind and patient with you and you will find it easier to be the same towards others.

— Adolf Washington in Deccan Herald.

NEWS SPARKLERS

Firm under fire for making staff eat cockroaches

Zunyi: Managers of a home improvement company in Zunyi, China, were recently arrested for subjecting employees to extreme punishment, including forcing them to eat cockroaches, for not meeting their sales goals.

The arrests came after an employee of the unnamed company took to social media to complain about the humiliating punishments. Footage also shows people drinking cups of yellow liquid which some have alleged is urine. The video was later deleted, but screenshots started circulating online, and the police were notified about the troubling punishments.

Man bred by wolves unhappy with humans

Cordoba Province: Marcos Rodríguez Pantoja, who lived among wolves for 12 years in the mountains of Spain's Cordoba province, before being discovered by the Civil Guard at the age of 19 and brought back into civilization is disappointed with his life among human beings. But even now, at the age of 72, Pantoja still hasn't completely adjusted to life among humans.

Born in Añora, Cordoba, in 1946, Pantoja lost his mother when he was only three years old, and soon his father abandoned him. He was taken to the mountains to replace an old shepherd to look after a herd of 300 sheep. But the old shepherd died in 1954 when Pantoja was eight. When the Civil Guard found him, he had already replaced spoken words with animal-like grunts. He was brought back to civilization, but he never really adjusted to life among humans. He even tried going back to the wolves, but "it wasn't the same anymore", the wolves no longer saw him as a brother.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

Will salt raise my blood pressure?

Consuming salt raises blood pressure for some, but not for others. It depends on whether you are 'salt sensitive.' Ask your doctor to give you a salt sensitivity test to determine if salt is a problem for you.

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Huthri at Padi Igguthappa Temple on Nov.23

Madikeri, Nov.12- Huthri or Puttari, the harvest festival of Kodagu, will be celebrated on Nov. 23. As per tradition, members of Bhakta Jana Sangha, 13 Thakkas of the district and elders assembled at Padi Igguthappa Temple at Kakkabe recently and decided on the date of the festival.

The festival Muhurtha was decided by Temple astrologer Shashikumar of Ammangeri Kaniyara family. Accordingly, the festival will be celebrated at the Temple on Nov. 23 along with the journey of the presiding deity to Malma Betta. After the celebrations at Padi Igguthappa Temple, people of Kodagu district celebrate the festival at their respective homes and fields.

On that day, the traditional harvest of paddy (Kadiru) will be conducted in Rohini Nakshatra at the Temple at 8.15 pm with the 'Nere Kattuva' ritual that will be done at the temple at 7.15 pm. Dinner (devapodh) will be served for devotees at the Temple at 9.15 pm.

For the public (naadpodh), 9.30 pm will be suitable for dinner, according to the priests.

Speaking on the occasion, Deva Thakka Paradanda Dali said that Huthri restriction (kattu) has been enforced on Nov. 9 and till the festival is complete, people related to temple, Thakkas are barred from conducting any auspicious ceremonies, consuming alcohol and eating non-vegetarian food. He requested the devotees and Thakkas to abide by the temple rules.

Passport Kendra in Mysuru to serve people of Kodagu

Mysuru, Nov.12- The Post Office Passport Seva Kendra opened at Metagalli Post Office in Mysuru will serve the people of Kodagu too.

According to Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, the service has been extended to the residents of Kodagu who had to go to Bengaluru or Mangaluru to get Passport services. Keeping in mind the inconvenience faced by the people of Kodagu, then Union External Affairs Minister had agreed to extend the service to Kodagu, he said.

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LAUGHTER THE BEST MEDICINE

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VOICE OF THE READER

Green signal for Irwin Road widening: An afterthought

Sir,

With reference to the news item on widening of Irwin Road *(SOM* dated Nov. 6), it is commendable that the government is offering above market rate compensation. However, it is short-sighted to think that this will take care of traffic congestion permanently.

Bengaluru is a nearby example of how when roads are widened and flyovers built, the extra space is rapidly occupied by more private cars and congestion continues.

Internationally, the emphasis is on building public transport systems, introducing congestion charges, car pooling, etc., to reduce the number of private cars, often carrying a single passenger, on the roads.

It will be far-sighted and better for Mysuru to plan a bus rapid transport system like Ahmedabad and a metro system to address future growth to help decrease number of private vehicles on the road.

In some of the world's biggest cities like New York and London, hardly any private cars are seen in central areas. People working in central business districts in high positions take the metro to work because public transport systems with dedicated bus lanes and metros help to get the commuters to their destinations much faster.

Seoul city sky park is a good example of how developed cities actually shut down flyovers. A 1970s flyover was shut down and converted into a park, an accessible place for people rather than cars. While it may be too late to rethink Irwin Road, it will be good if the people and planners of Mysuru look for public transport as the future.

—Usha Srinath
Saraswathipuram
7.11.2018

Malabar opens new showroom at Dharwad

Malabar Gold & Diamonds, one among the top five jewellery brands in the world, is on an expansion spree. Picture shows Kannada film actor Roaring Star ***Srimurali inaugurating the new Malabar showroom at Dharwad on Nov.4 in the presence of Malabar Group MD O. Asher, Regional Head for Karnataka Iflu Rahman and other Management Heads of Malabar Group. The new spacious showroom at Jubilee Heights, near Jubilee Circle, beside Oswal Tower, Dharwad, showcases the latest collection in gold, diamond, precious stones, platinum, watches and silver.***

Takes charge as IOCL Executive Director

Pramodh

Bengaluru, Nov. 12 (KS)- D.L. Pramodh took charge as the Executive Director, Indian Oil Corporation Limited (IOCL), Karnataka State Office, Bengaluru and State-level Co-ordinator, Oil Industry for Karnataka, recently.

Prior to this posting, Pramodh served as the Executive Director (Institutional Business) at Indian Oil's Marketing Division with its headquarters in Mumbai.

A Mechanical Engineer, he joined Indian Oil in 1986 and has over three decades of experience of handling various portfolios such as LPG, Retail Sales and Institutional Business in various capacities spreading across Rajasthan, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Maharashtra and Tamil Nadu. He has travelled widely across the country and abroad and has represented Indian Oil in several National and International events, seminars and conferences.

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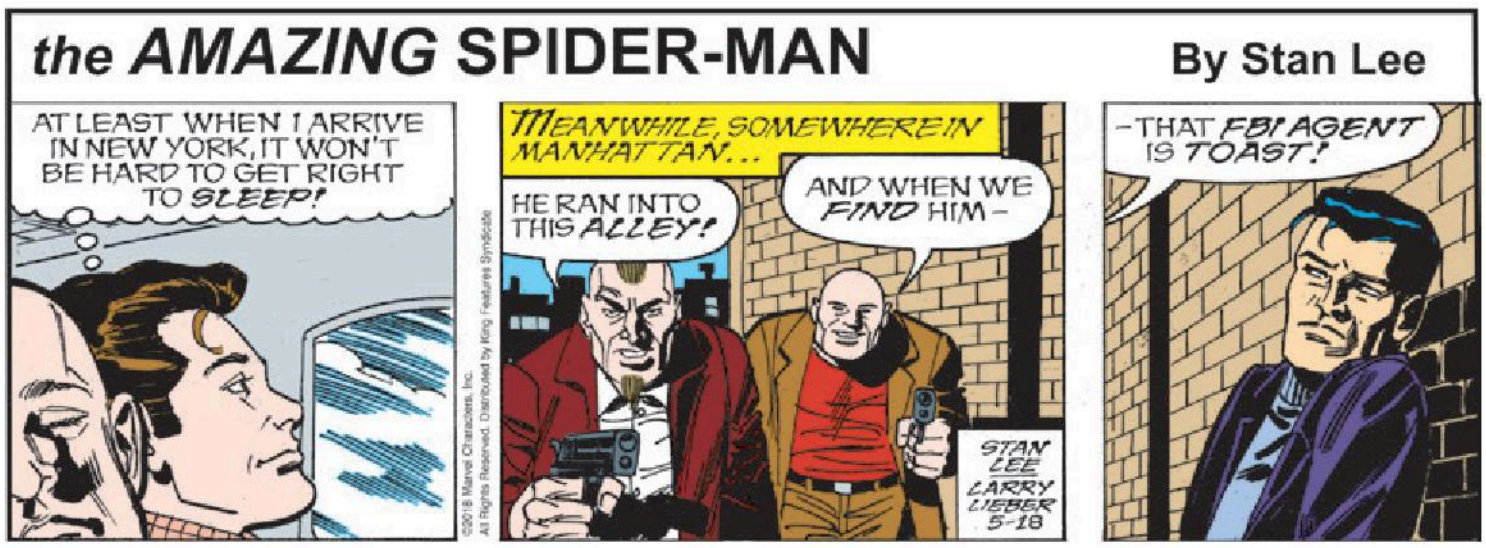
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NEWS BRIEFS

Direct Interview on Nov.13

The District Employment Exchange Office, in association with Autoliv India Pvt. Ltd., KIADB Industrial Area, Kadakola, will be conducting direct interview for various Associate Posts on Nov.13 from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm at the Office of the District Employment Exchange at N.R. Mohalla in city. Candidates in the age group of 18 to 30 years with a pass in ITI or PUC can attend the interview along with bio-data. For details, interested may contact D.M. Rani, Assistant Director of District Employment Exchange, Government Industrial Training Institute premises, N.R. Mohalla, Mysuru - 07, during office hours or call Ph: 0821-2489972, according to a press release.

'Kannada Vikasa Ratna' award

Karnataka Rajya Vokkaligara Vikasa Vedike will be conferring 'Kannada Vikasa Ratna' award on outstanding personalities of various fields during 'Kannada Habba' to be held on Nov.25 at Town Hall in city. Eligible candidates may send their details of achievements and contributions along with application before Nov.16 to the office of the Vedike, #11, 2nd Floor, City Bus Stand Building, K.R. Circle, Mysuru - 570001, according to a press release from Vedike Founder-President H.L. Yamuna. For details, contact Mob: 99026-98623.

Ph.D Awardees

The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Law to K. Gagan for his thesis 'Abuse of Dominant Position Under Competition Act, 2002: A Comparative Study with USA' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Ramesh.

C.R. Madhusudan has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the UoM for his thesis 'Shasanagala Hinneleyalli Mysuru Jilleyalli Shaivadharma: Samagra Adhyayana' [Guide: Dr. M.G. Manjunatha.

The Visvesvaraya Technological University (VTU), Belagavi, has awarded Ph.D in Philosophy to M. Pradeep for his thesis 'A Study on Advances in Training and Development and Related Issues in Information Technology Companies' submitted under the guidance of Dr. P. Nagesh.

Three women die in separate incidents

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RK&DM)- Three women died in three separate incidents in city this morning.

Shyma (45), wife of Purushottam, Proprietor of well-known Ambadi Stores near Ramakrishna Paramahamsa Circle in Ramakrishnanagar died after collapsing at 7.30 am.

Shyma and her family members returned from Kerala this morning after attending a wedding. Shyma, after alighting form a car, was climbing the steps to the first floor of her house at Ramakrishananagar, when she collapsed reportedly due to a cardiac arrest and died at the spot.

Her body was shifted to MMC&RI for post-mortem, and later handed over to relatives.

Kuvempunagar Police have registered a case in this regard.

Woman succumbs to burns

In another incident, a 44-year-old woman succumbed to burn injuries at JSS Hospital here this morning. Bhanumathi (44), of Hariharapura in K.R. Pet taluk, is the deceased.

Bhanumathi

Bhanumathi had gone to her elder sister's house at Kattekyatanahalli also in K.R. Pet taluk last month to prepare food items for 'pitrupaksha.'

Bhanumathi and her sister J.V. Shashikala were preparing food at the house on Oct.10, when they suffered serious burn injuries in a LPG cylinder blast.

Both of them were rushed to JSS hospital in city where Sashikala breathed her last on Oct.18.

Bhanumathi, who was being treated at the hospital, too succumbed to her burn injuries at 5 am today.

K.R. Pet Rural Police have registered a case in this regard.

In yet another incident, a 40-year-old woman, who had consumed poison, breathed her last at K.R. Hospital in the wee hours of this morning.

Shivamma (40), wife of Kempegowda of Maralur in Nanjangud, was admitted to K.R. Hospital after she had consumed poison at her residence last evening. But she breathed her last in the hospital at about 2.30 am after failing to respond to the treatment.

Nanjangud Rural Police have registered a case in this regard.

Leopard sighted near Mysore Airport

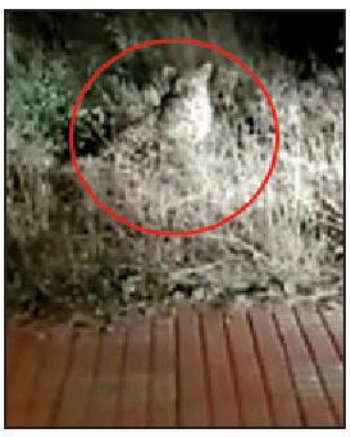
Mysuru, Nov.12 (SBD&KS)- A leopard being sighted inside Mysore Airport premises in Mandakalli here last night has created panic among the members of the public.

The leopard, which was roaming at Srinagar near Mandakalli since about three days, was sighted last night in the Airport premises by one Dhananjay, a resident of Vijayanagar, who has captured the photo of the leopard in his mobile phone.

Dhananjay, who had dropped his mother to the Airport as she was going to Chennai, was returning when he sighted the leopard which leapt in front of a moving car to reach the other side of the road and stayed there for sometime.

He (Dhananjay) said that the leopard would have attacked two-wheeler riders but luckily there were none at that time.

It is learnt that the leopard was found roaming in Srinagar near Mysore Airport in Mandakalli from three-four days.



The Forest Department staff have placed a cage and are conducting combing operation to trap the leopard.

RFO Devaraj said that though they have not received any information about the leopard being sighted in the Airport premises, the Department staff would conduct combing in the area immediately.

Miscreant steals cash, mobile phones kept in the boot of scooter

Mysuru, Nov.12 (KS)- A miscreant has stolen cash and mobile phones kept in the boot of a scooter belonging to Dr. Venkatesh Joshi at Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Golf Club (JWGC) in city on Nov.9.

On Nov.9, Dr. Venkatesh, who had come to JWGC, had kept Rs.75,000 cash and four mobile phones in the boot of his scooter and had gone inside. When he came back at about 11 pm and opened the boot, he found the cash and mobile phones missing.

Upon checking the CCTV footage, a man aged about 40 years, was seen following Dr. Venkatesh and stealing the cash bag.

Based on the complaint by Dr. Venkatesh, Nazarbad Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

Government School burgled in city

Mysuru, Nov.12 (MTY&KS)- Miscreants, who gained entry into Kanakagiri Government High School by breaking open the lock of the School during Deepavali holidays between Nov.6 and 8, have decamped with items worth about Rs.12,476 from the School.

The burglars have decamped with one side-drum, two bugles, one bass drum, two drum sticks, five plates, 25 tumblers, one ladle, two side-drum belts, one volleyball net, two carom boards, one world map, one India outline map, one human chart, one animal cell chart and bio visual charts from the school.

The school was closed from Nov. 6 to 8 for Deepavali festival and the theft came to light when the staff came to open the school on Nov.9, according to the complaint lodged by the school's Head Master Mallikarjuna.

Vidyaranyapuram Police, who have registered a case in this regard, are investigating.

One arrested for illegally storing wild animal pelts in house

Deer skin, antlers seized

Mysuru, Nov.12 (KS)- The sleuths of City Crime Branch (CCB) have arrested a person on charges of illegally storing deer skin and antlers in house and have seized the skin and antlers from him.

The arrested person is 38-year-old Rohit, a resident of Kuvempunagar in city.

Acting on a tip off, the CCB Police raided the house on Friday and arrested the person, besides seizing one deer skin and two antlers stored in the house.

A case has been registered at Saraswathipuram Police Station in this regard.

Obituary

Srikant Swarna

Mysuru, Nov.12- Srikant Swarna (58), Founder of *The Barge* pub and a resident of Vijayanagar in city, passed away yesterday in Chennai.

He leaves behind his wife Sadhana, daughters Deekshitha and Harshitha, brothers, sisters and a host of relatives and friends. Last rites will be held in city.

Siddappa

Siddappa (72), a resident of K.G. Koppal in city, passed away last evening.

He leaves behind his wife, three sons, two daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at K.G. Koppal burial ground this noon, according to family sources.

Devamma

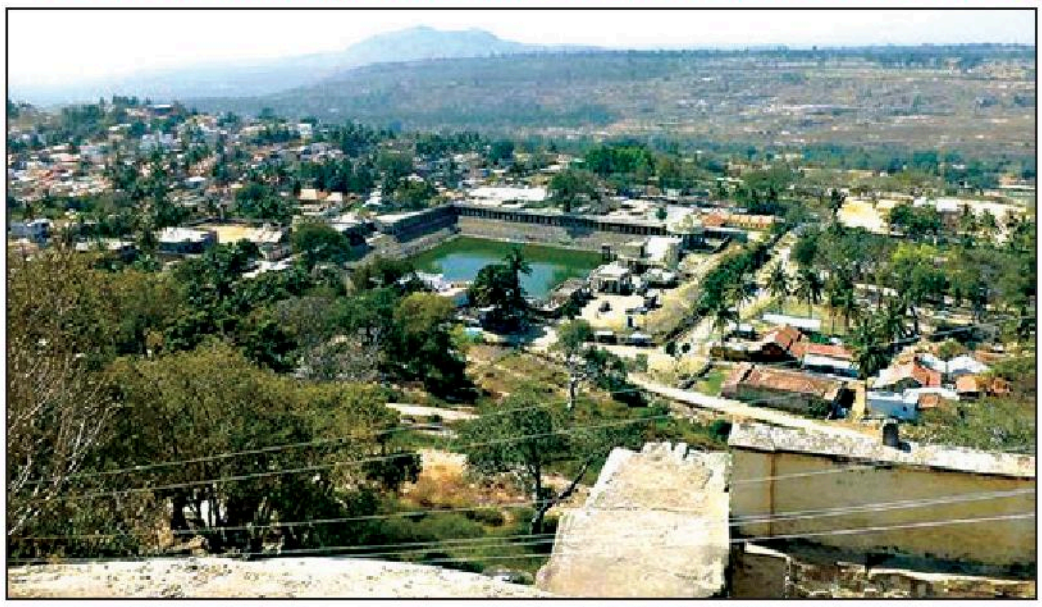
Devamma (81), wife of late Jyotishya Vidwan Shivarchaka B. Shivappa and a resident of Ayarahalli near Bilikere of Hunsur taluk here, passed away yesterday.

She leaves behind two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at her native Ayarahalli this morning.

Tourism Department to rope in private players to develop Melukote

- **Infosys Foundation sought to adopt historic temple town**
- **Sudha Murty, who visited Melukote during Dasara, ready to restore Kalyani**



A view of the pond from Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple in Melukote. Picture right shows Infosys Foundation Chairperson Sudha Murty during her recent visit to the temple town.

Bengaluru, Nov.12- Melukote, the 12-century-old temple town, abode of Lord Cheluvanarayanaswamy and a renowned centre for Sanskrit learning, in Mandya district located at a distance of 130 kilometres to capital city Bengaluru, will soon to be developed as a tourist spot by State Tourism Department with the help of private players.

The Dept. has planned to hand over the development and maintenance of this temple town and restoration of various heritage sites to Infosys Foundation, which had already revived and restored the lot of Kalyanis, historic lakes and heritages sites in Bengaluru and other parts of State.

Sources in the Tourism Department told that the Department evinced interest, favoured the Infosys Foundation to adopt and develop Melukote. Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh is said to be keen on developing this heritage site and likely to sign a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Foundation. Moved by the interest of the Tourism Department, Infosys Foundation Chairperson Sudha Murty has also shown interest to adopt and develop the town.

Tourism Department wants the Foundation to improve this town provided with basic facilities like roads, toilets, accommodation, and parking and maintain the same without fixing any entry fees for visitors. The Department is also expecting the Foundation to develop and maintain Beluru, Halebidu, Aihole, other Temple tourist spots like Melukote.

According to sources, Sudha Murty was also interested to clean up and restore Dodda Kalyani near Cheluvanarayanaswamy Temple in Melukote and Akka-Tangi Kola near Yoganarasimha Swamy Temple which are currently maintained by Muzrai and Archaeology Department. Though Sudha Murty has not officially discussed about adopting Melukote, she is said to have expressed her displeasure on pathetic condition of Kalyani and badly maintained ponds in archaeologically significant temple town which she had visited during this year Dasara celebrations. The Foundation had already restored two such temple ponds — Vasantha Vallabharaya Kalyani at a cost of Rs.9 crore in Bengaluru and Lakmehswara Temple Kalyani at the cost of Rs.5 crore in Hubballi. People used to defecate all around these ponds and throw dead bodies before the restoration work.

Murty is also ready to develop Melukote Ponds without fixing any entrance fee if the local people and temple authority cooperate with the Foundation.

It may be recalled here that the State Government constituted an authority to preserve this town and declared it a heritage site in 2011. Seven years on, nothing has been done to preserve the heritage of this centre that attracts around 10 lakh tourists every year.

Even the Mandya District Administration had submitted an integrated development plan to the State Government in July 2015 at an estimated cost of Rs.500 crore for improvement of this heritage spot that has a history of more than 1,000 years according to historians.

It is believed that Ramanujacharya, one of the proponents of Vishishtadvaita Vedanta philosophy of life, is said to have lived in Melukote town. The State Government had neither rejected nor approved the plan submitted by the District Administration.

A central monument in temple town Melukote dates back to the 12th century. Apart from some famous temples and rock formations, there are also line drawings belonging to ancient times. Pots and pans excavated here are said to be about 3,000 years old according to historians.

Melukote, which is popular for its Vairamudi Utsava and Teppotsava, has temples, mutts, choultries, mantapas, colleges, ancient Sanskrit schools and Ramanuja Koota. The town's water source is natural tanks, kalyanis, open wells and step wells, including the famous Akka-Tangi Kola. Most importantly, Melukote is famous for its Iyengar cuisine — *puliyogare* is the hallmark which is distributed as prasada at the temple.

The town has a protected monument, Cheluvanarayanaswamy Temple, which has been a prohibited and regulated area. In the regulated area, a look at the street study throws up interesting observation — Brahmins, weavers and farmers have separate lanes; less perforated walls mark the lanes connecting the clusters; Jagli is a private space and common spaces are shared by clusters of homes.

Mixed-use buildings with shops on the ground floor and residences on the first floor have been developed in recent years.

Former District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President feted

Former District Kannada Sahitya Parishat President Prof. N. Girigowda and his wife Shantha Girigowda, who were felicitated by Rotary Club of Mysore South East, Jayanagar, during Kannada Rajyotsava celebrations at a private hotel in city, are seen with Sudha Prasad, Rotary President Rtn. Geetha Vishwanath, Rtn. J.A. Kumar, Secretary B.R. Venkatesh Senani and Rtn. C. Gopala.

Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana dates re-scheduled

Literary event to take place from Jan.4 to 6 at Dharwad

Bengaluru, Nov.12- The Kannada Sahitya Parishat has re-scheduled the dates of the 84th edition of Akhila Bharata Kannada Sahitya Sammelana to be held at Dharwad.

As per the revised schedule, the three-day event will take place from Jan.4 to 6, 2019.

The Parishat had earlier announced that the literary event would take place from Jan.6 to 8. But as KSRTC Staff Unions have called for a strike on Jan.8, the Parishat decided to advance the dates.

Chairperson of Dist. Kannada Sammelana

Indudhara

Mysuru, Nov.12- Senior Journalist and writer Indudhara Honnapura has been named as the Chairperson of the two-day 19th Mysuru District Kannada Sahitya Sammelana scheduled to take place at Periyapatna on Dec.22 and 23. The decision to name Indudhara Honnapura was taken at the District Kannada Sahitya Parishat meeting held yesterday.

Natural disaster and disease hit honey production in Kodagu

Deadly and remedy-less Thai Sac Brood disease resurfaces after it wiped out honey production in 1991

By Prasad Sampigekatte

Madikeri, Nov.12- Floods and landslides that struck Kodagu in August this year not only affected human beings and wildlife but also honey bee families that have a special relationship with nature.

Vanishing natural food and biting cold, has resulted in the spread of Thai Sac Brood disease, which is said to have originated in Thailand. The virus attack has caused concern among bee keepers with honey production coming down drastically.

The Thai Sac Brood virus attack is most found in Bhagamandala, Talacauvery, Cherangala, Korangala, Sannapulikotu, Ayyangeri, Kadagadalu and other areas. The deadly attack has erased 90 percent of bee families. This is the second time that this virus attack has taken place, the first one being in 1991 when then also most of the bee families were wiped out.

There was a time when apiculture was at its peak in the district with annual honey production of four lakh kgs. Kodagu was the top honey producing district in the State. But after a brief spell of virus attack, the disease came under control naturally and apiculture began to bloom again. At present, Kodagu has over 7,000 bee-keepers and Bhagamandala region alone accounts for more than 50 percent of production of the district.

Honey is produced mainly in Bhagamandala, Galibeedu and Cherangala of Madikeri taluk, Birunani, T. Shettigeri and Kedamulloor in Virajpet taluk, Shanthalli, Jakkanalli, Soorlabbi, Hammiyala, Hachchinadu, Kumbaragadige and Mutlu in Somwarpet taluk.

But the natural calamity which ravaged the district in August has left behind only 4,000 to 5,000 honeybee families. As a result, honey production has declined with a production of just 7,000 kgs. Even as vanishing of bees is a cause of great concern for Kodagu, several apiculturists feel that the extinction of bees will have a bearing on other creatures.

Earlier, the Thai Sac Brood disease used to cause havoc rarely but now the attack has spread after heavy rains this year. Although bee keepers are attempting to save honey bees by feeding them with artificial liquid sugar forms, it has made little impact. With the extinction of bees, apiculturists are looking at taking up other occupations. This apart, the reputation of the district as a pure honey production hub, has taken a beating with the rapid decline in honey production.

P.M. Venkataramana, a former agriculture development officer at Bhagamandala, said that it was unfortunate that Thai Sac Brood disease has resurfaced in Kodagu after 1991. It has become difficult to find pure honey in Kodagu, the district which is famous for pure and natural honey. Apiculture in the district has taken a severe beating with the onset of the disease, he said. So far there has been no effective remedy for the disease.

Vasanth, of Horticulture Department at Madikeri said that the dangerous Thai Sac Brood disease had affected 90 percent of the bee population in Bhagamandala Hobli of the district. The natural calamity has more worsened the situation with honey bees rarely getting the required food. The biting cold has compounded the problem further. The Department has been educating apiculturists on prevention of the spread of the disease, he said and added that the department has granted 40 percent subsidy to set up honey combs.

About Thai Sac Brood disease: The Thai Sac Brood disease was first seen in Kerala and many honey bee families were wiped out in the attack. The deadly virus had taken toll of lakhs of honey bees which had habituated in naturally rich forests of Kerala.

The virus later spread to Kodagu district that adjoins Kerala, attacking honey combs. It is also said that the virus may have entered Kodagu with lakhs of bees migrating to Kodagu from Kerala. The spread of the virus has made apiculturists scary. The honey combs which were commonly seen in coffee and cardamom plantations have now become a rarity.

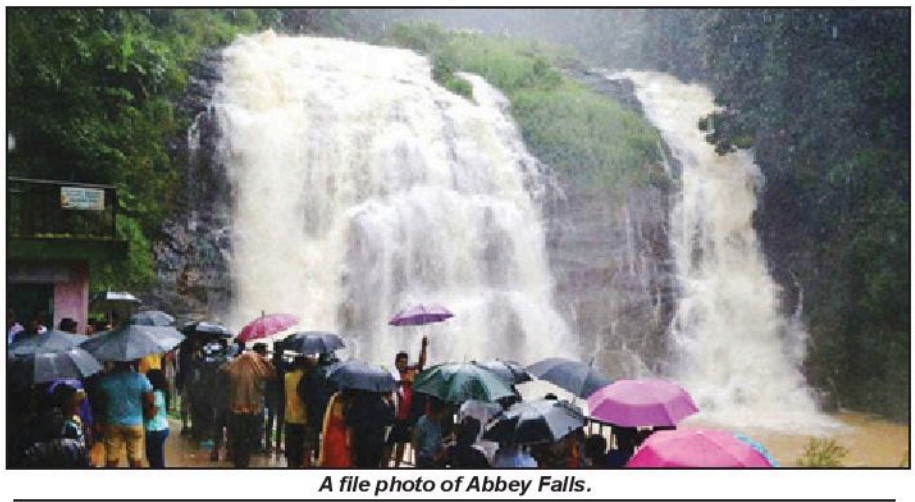
Some persons, misusing Kodagu's name for pure honey, have been found selling low quality honey in the name of pure natural honey thus bringing a bad name to Kodagu's honey industry.

Tourist spots in Kodagu deserted; hopes dashed

Madikeri, Nov.12- Kodagu, called the Scotland of South India, has been a perfect holiday destination for ages because of its pristine beauty and alluring nature. Tourists always flock to this hill station in droves during holidays and weekends.

But sadly after the nature's fury that the district experienced in August this year with heavy rains and floods ravaging many areas and even a few villages being wiped out as a result, footfalls to this lovely district from far and near has become a mirage.

Despite the District Administration working hard to restore the district to its original form and all the basic amenities back in place, tourists are hesitating to visit the place.



A file photo of Abbey Falls.

Some of the famous tourist spots in and around Kodagu include Dubare Elephant Camp, Golden Temple, Cauvery Nisargadhama, Talacauvery, Harangi, Raja Seat, Abbey Falls, Mandalapatti, Irupu and Mallalli Falls. Tourist footfalls have just dwindled this year after the catastrophe, affecting small businessmen who are forced to go in search of other jobs to make a living.

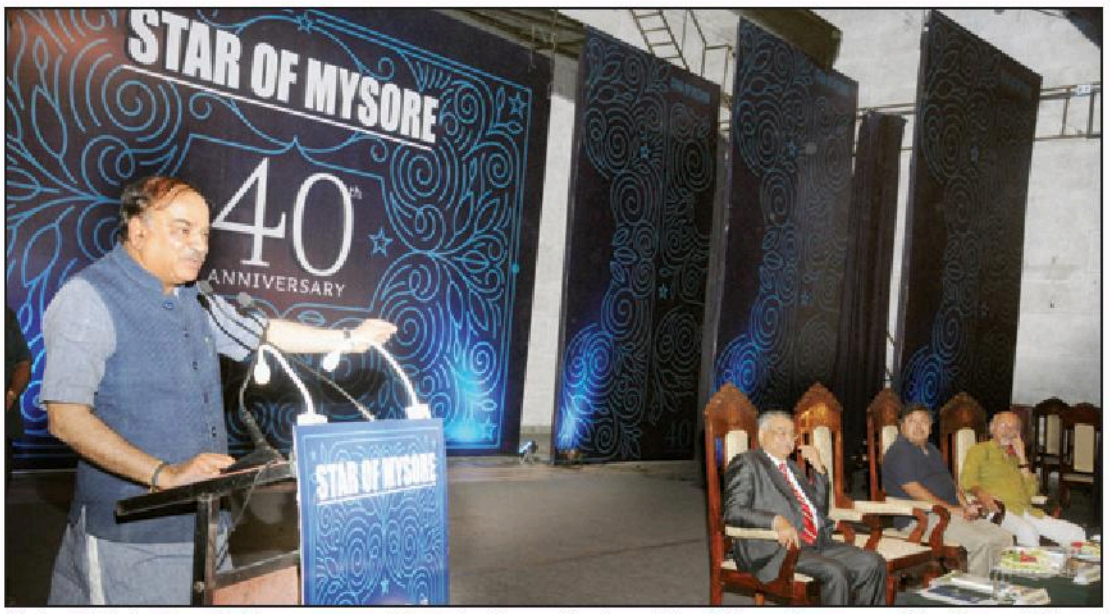
Normally during rainy season, very few tourists visit the district. However, once the monsoon season is over from October onwards till December-end, there will hardly be any place as all the destinations are usually teeming with tourists. But this year there is no such scene with tourist places looking deserted.

Those completely dependent on tourism like hotels, home-stays and spice shops are all in dire straits. Even the Talacauvery Theerthodhbava and the historic Dasara festival did not generate the regular tourists. There were hopes that at least during these two festivals, tourists would come. But all hopes were dashed.

This onslaught of nature's fury on the district has made life difficult for business community and they are wondering how they will be able to come out of this loss.

Ananth Kumar: The BJP bulwark who handled tricky situations

- **He completed his law degree from JSS Law College, University of Mysore**
- **A 6-time MP, he played a key role in passing the historic Goods and Services Tax (GST)**
- **Credited for implementing Neem-Coated Urea and setting up of Jan Aushadhi Kendras**



***Union Minister Ananth Kumar seen addressing the gathering at the 40th anniversary celebrations of** Star of Mysore **at the Platinum Jubilee auditorium of MMC&RI at J.K. Grounds in Mysuru, on Feb. 17, 2018. Others on the dais are K.B. Ganapathy, Editor-in-Chief,** SOM, **Devdutt Pattanaik, Indian Mythologist and T.J.S. George, Editorial Advisor,** The New Indian Express.*

Bengaluru, Nov. 12 - H.N. Ananth Kumar, senior Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) leader and Union Minister for Chemicals, Fertilisers and Parliamentary Affairs, who died in Bengaluru early this morning, represented Bengaluru South Constituency in Lok Sabha for six terms (sixth term is currently running). An astute politician, he was the BJP's bulwark, handling tough and tricky situations for the party both at the State and National-level.

Known for his political adroitness, Ananth Kumar, gregarious with strong political instincts, had managed to be in the inner circle of the central leadership of the BJP— be it during the heydays of Atal Bihari Vajpayee or L.K. Advani and now Prime Minister Narendra Modi. His name was synonymous with the BJP for over 40 years.

A staunch RSS ideologue; a hard-boiled organisation man; Bengaluru's "most loved" MP and the first person to speak in Kannada in the United Nations (UN) are some of the connotations associated with Ananth Kumar. He won the 15th Lok Sabha election from Bengaluru South by defeating IT Czar Nandan Nilekani.

Ananth Kumar was perhaps the sole MP from Karnataka who became a Union Minister three times and the only other person apart from former Prime Minister H.D. Deve Gowda and Lok Sabha Opposition Leader Mallikarjuna Kharge to remain in national political limelight till the end.

Mysuru connection

With little or no community support, Ananth Kumar carved his own space in the national political arena and displayed his political grit to remain in active politics.

Born in a middle class Brahmin family on July 22, 1959, Ananth Kumar graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree from K.S. Arts College in Hubballi, affiliated to Karnatak University, and later completed his law degree (LLB) from JSS Law College, University of Mysore. His parents were Narayan Shastri, a Railway employee and Girija N. Shastri.

Shrewd politician

His ambitious attitude and shrewd political sense propelled him on to the fast track of political growth. He played a key role during the Emergency period as part of Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad (ABVP), opposing Indira Gandhi regime, and was incarcerated. He became the National Secretary of BJP at the age of 36. He was one of the youngest Members of Parliament (MP) elected from Bangalore South in 1996, at the age of 37, and never looked back. He continued to represent the Constituency, without a single loss, for five terms (sixth term running now).

Youngest Minister

In 1998, he was inducted into the Union Cabinet headed by Atal Bihari Vajpayee as the Minister for Civil Aviation and was instrumental in the signing of the MoU for the Bengaluru International Airport. Ananth Kumar was the youngest Cabinet Minister in the Vajpayee Cabinet.

In 2004, with the NDA out of power, he became the National General Secretary of the BJP and held that post ever since. During the UPA rule, he was perhaps the second-in-command to BJP co-founder L.K. Advani and then Party President Rajnath Singh. At the same time, he was the party in-charge of Bihar and Madhya Pradesh and contributed to the party's victory in both the State's respective Assembly elections.

GST success

Under Prime Minister Narendra Modi, Ananth Kumar adapted himself to the "new style" of functioning despite being identified from the Advani camp and became a key player in the Modi Cabinet. During the Cabinet reshuffle, he was given the responsibility of Parliamentary Affairs which proved vital to display his political astuteness when negotiating the recent no-confidence motion moved against the Modi government.

However, Ananth Kumar's brownie points in political life can be seen in the passing of the historic Goods and Services Tax (GST) during the midnight launch at the Central Hall of the Parliament, despite the BJP not having a majority in Rajya Sabha.

His ability to forge consensus across all parties, get the Bill passed in both the Houses of the Parliament, get more than 50% of States to endorse the same within 3 weeks and finally, support the Finance Ministry in launching this on 1st July 2017, put him into an extraordinaire position in national politics.

He was widely credited for implementing Neem-Coated Urea and setting up of Jan Aushadhi Kendras with focus on affordable quality healthcare.

Delhi face of Karnataka

While being the all important member of the BJP's Parliamentary Board, Ananth Kumar was often regarded as the "Delhi face" of the Karnataka BJP and also for the State government who could be counted upon for taking issues concerning Karnataka.

He was known to have had politically hostile relationship with State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa on occasions and often faced accusations of meddling too much in Karnataka affairs, when the Lingayat strongman was at the helm of affairs in the State as its Chief Minister.

Often ready with a smile and a sharp retort, Ananth Kumar was politically canny and seen by many as an important influencer. His past-times included sight-seeing and playing with his children.

He was loved by the people of Bangalore South for his genuine actions and profound dedication for the betterment of the Constituency. By representing the voice of the common people in Karnataka, he earned himself the distinction of being the default voice of Karnataka and Bengaluru in Parliament.

Ananth Kumar, married to Dr. Tejaswini, has two daughters Aishwarya and Vijetha. He was the Chief Patron of Adamya Chetana, an NGO involved in social work. Adamya Chetana is the second largest NGO after ISKCON in providing mid-day meals in Karnataka and other parts of the country.

He was the first person to speak in Kannada at United Nations

Ananth Kumar was the first person from India to speak in Kannada at the United Nations on 15th of October, 2012. He described his experience thus:

"I had the privilege of speaking at the United Nations headquarters in New York. My experience was made sweeter by the fact that I got to address the UN General Assembly in my beloved Kannada."

"Before I began my speech, I made it a point to extend my greetings to all those present in my mother-tongue, Kannada!! I said, 'Honourable President and brothers and sisters from all over the world, good morning to all of you...' I then continued on how India is very closely committed to global peace and upholding human rights and how it is steadfast in its support for counter-terrorism."

"Amongst the languages of India that are held in high esteem by the people of India, Kannada has a special significance. It is as old as 2,000 years and is spoken by a population of 38 million," he had stated.

59th birthday at New York Hospital

H.N. Ananth Kumar celebrated his 59th birthday on Sept. 22 this year at Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Centre, New York, along with his family members. He cut a cake in the presence of his wife Tejaswini, brother H.N. Nanda Kumar and a few others. Ananth Kumar's birthday, according to official records, is on July 22. However, members of his family and friends celebrate it on his actual date of birth — Sept. 22.

Maharudrabhishekha performed to Nandi Statue atop Chamundi Hill

Mysuru, Nov. 12(MTY&SR)- Maharudrabhishekha for the Nandi Statue atop Chamundi Hill was performed by Mettalu Hattuva Balaga this morning on account of first Monday (Karthika Somavara) of Karthika Masa celebrations.

They performed Maharudrabhishekha using 101 ingredients including ghee, milk, curds, almonds, dried fruits, sugarcane juice, banana and other items. Maharudrabhishekha began with pouring of milk (Ksheerabhisheka), followed by other items which included Vagya, Argya, Achamana, curds, ghee, honey, sugar, vibhuthi, sandalwood paste, turmeric, kumkum, Sindoora, flowers, bilwapatra, banana, grapes, dates, cucumber, sugarcane juice, tender coconut, lime, oil, panchamrutha, dharbe, and ashtagandha etc.,

The Mettalu Hattuva Balaga members who climb the hills every Friday have been performing this ritual since the last few years as part of Karthika Masa celebrations. A large number of devotees, visitors including foreigners took part in the celebrations. The Statue was cleaned with water thoroughly after the rituals.

This monolithic statue of Nandi is a major tourist attraction atop Chamundi Hill. The statue, reckoned to be at least 350 years old, was sculpted during the period of Dodda Devaraja Wadiyar who ruled from 1659 to 1673 and is the only one of its kind in the State. The statue is 3,489 ft above sea level.

Though Nandi is found adorning Shiva temples, this is one of the few standalone statues, measuring about 15 ft in height and 24 ft in width, carved out of a single boulder. Easily accessed either by road or steps, tourists usually stop by the Statue for a photo opportunity.

Union Minister Ananth Kumar passes away

(Continued from page 1)

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is likely to chair a special meeting of the Union Cabinet today to condole the demise. A resolution condoling the demise and hailing his contribution would be passed. Modi is expected to arrive in Bengaluru this evening and pay his respects to the departed leader.

Narendra Modi called Ananth Kumar an "able administrator" and a "great asset to the BJP organisation." "He worked hard to strengthen the Party in Karnataka, particularly in Bengaluru and surrounding areas. He was always accessible to his constituents," he tweeted.

"Deep sense of grief on hearing that Ananth Kumar is no more with us. Bengaluru was in his head and heart, always. May God give his family the strength to bear with this loss," Defence Minister Nirmala Sitharaman tweeted.

Home minister Rajnath Singh said it is a big loss to the BJP and a "personal loss for me." This is a tragic loss to public life in our country and particularly for the people of Karnataka, President Ram Nath Kovind said. Vice President Venkaiah Naidu said he was hoping he (Ananth Kumar) would recover and join back public service.

Karnataka Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy said he was "deeply pained" to hear about Kumar's demise and remembered him as a "pro-people leader and value-based politician."

Congress President Rahul Gandhi too expressed grief over the demise of the senior BJP leader.

BJP president Amit Shah said Ananth Kumar's passing away has left a void in the BJP and Indian polity that cannot be filled soon. BJP State President B.S. Yeddyurappa said, "I am under deep grief to hear about the untimely demise of my friend. He worked tirelessly to strengthen the BJP in Karnataka and nation. May his soul rest in peace and God give strength to bear his loss to his family."

A three-day period of mourning has been declared by the State government, and schools, colleges and government offices remained closed today. Ananth Kumar will be accorded a State funeral.

[See also page-7]

Chamarajapuram Rly. Station cleared of 'bin-clutter'

BEFORE-AFTER: ***The Railway authorities seem to have woken up following the report titled 'Chamarajapuram Railway Station turns Bin-Station' published in*** *Star of Mysore* ***dated Nov. 10. The tiny station was cluttered with over 150 dustbins every five meters! Today it has a more realistic 50 bins.***

MCDCC Bank election begins

Mysuru, Nov.12 (MTY&DM)- The voting for electing the Directors of Mysuru and Chamarajanagar District Co-Operative Central (MCDCC) Bank began at Nanjaraja Bahadur Choultry on Vinoba Road here this morning.

The polling is being held to elect 12 Directors, while five Directors have already been elected unopposed. The MCDCC Bank has 17 Directors on its board.

Those elected unopposed are C. Basavegowda from T. Narasipur, G.D. Harish Gowda from Hunsur, Amith Devarahatti from K.R. Nagar, MLA R. Narendra from Hanur and Jayaram from Yelandur.

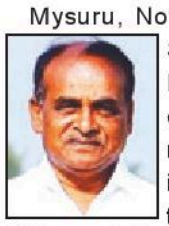
Today's voting is for electing Directors from Nanjangud, Periyapatna, H.D. Kote, Gundlupet, Chamarajanagar and Mysuru taluks, Mysuru and Chamarajanagar taluk APMC, Town Cooperative Banks and Housing Cooperative Societies, Consumer Cooperative Societies and Non-Agricultural Credit Cooperative Societies.

There are a total of 27 contestants in the fray, including the Bank's incumbent President S. Chandrashekar, MCC Corporator SBM Manju, noted Co-operators Mellahalli Mahadevaswamy and A.T. Somshekar. A total of 587 voters will exercise their franchise to elect 12 Directors.

The voting ends at 4 pm, following which the counting of votes will be taken up and the results will be declared by this evening.

'No plans on lifting Bandipur Night Traffic Ban'

Clarifies Chamarajanagar District Minister



Puttarangashetty

Mysuru, Nov.12 (PM&SR)- State Other Backward Classes and Chamarajanagar District in-Charge Minister C. Puttarangashetty clarified here that the State Government has no plans on relaxing the night ban on vehicular movement inside Bandipur Tiger Reserve.

Speaking at the Bhagiratha Jayanti celebrations organised by the District Bhagiratha Uppara Sangha held at Town Hall in city yesterday, he said that he had already held discussions with Forest Department officials. State Government will not lift the ban as Bandipur Forest is an Eco-Sensitive Zone. It has imposed the ban for safe and unrestricted movement of wild animals inside the forest area.

He said that the State Government had already rejected the Centre's plea to lift the ban on night traffic through Bandipur Tiger Reserve; it has also rejected the proposal for constructing elevated roads through the National Park. Even, Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy has clarified that the ban on vehicle movement in Bandipur during night time would continue.

This remark of the Minister gains significance in the wake of various media reports on the issue of lifting the ban.

It may be recalled, this issue snowballed into a controversy following a communiqué by the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways seeking Karnataka's nod for lifting night traffic ban and approving a project to construct elevated roads or flyovers in Bandipur, which triggered outrage among conservationists when the matter pertaining to night traffic ban through Bandipur is still pending in the Supreme Court.

Training on 'Drug Chemistry' from tomorrow

Mysuru, Nov.12 (PM&US)- JSS College of Pharmacy has organised a month-long training programme on 'Drug Chemistry' commencing tomorrow at the College premises in Shivarathreeshwaranagar here.

Disclosing this at a press meet at Pathrakartara Bhavan here this morning, Programme Convenor Dr. G.V. Pujar said that the programme will be inaugurated by JSS Academy of Higher Education Registrar Dr. B. Manjunath with Zastra Innovations Chief Scientist Dr. Girinath G. Pillai as the chief guest. He further said that about 30 expert trainers from academics and industry are going to train the participants from across the country on Drug Chemistry and related subject.

Organising Secretary Dr. B.R. Prashanat Kumar and Dr. B.M. Gurupadaiah were present during the press meet.

Car damages balustrades on Sayyaji Rao Road

A Maruti Swift car reportedly rammed into the ornamental balustrades on Sayyaji Rao Road here this morning damaging a few balustrades. Devaraja Police, who arrived at the spot, have collected the photos and registration number of the car from eye witnesses to trace the owner of the car. Meanwhile, MCC staff, who also arrived at the spot, inspected the place to take future course of action on replacing the damaged balustrades. No complaint was registered when we went to press.

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Travelogue

Uzbekistan: The great Silk Route country -2

By Ashvini Ranjan

[Continued from yesterday]

As we departed on our tour of the city, Akbar reeled off the city's history of how it changed hands from the Arabs to the Mongols and subsequently ruled by Timur and Shaybandis. It was colonised by Russia in 1917 and Uzbekistan gained independence in 1991. "It was Islam Abduganiyevich Karimov, our first President who changed the fortunes of our country," claimed Akbar, our guide. Though a controversial figure and is accused of measures which violated human rights, Karimov brought stability to the country and prevented radical Islamic elements taking a foothold in the country. **"To me, he is like your Mahatma Gandhi," he announced.**

Though Tashkent was the capital and the country's largest city and the seat of administration, the real jewels of Uzbekistan were the cities of Khiva, Bukhara and Samarkand. Tashkent is more a showcase city with museums, shopping centres and tombs of recent times.

The earthquake of 1966 reduced the city to rubble and with it the many historical monuments. Following the disaster, the city was rebuilt and modelled on Soviet architectural styles. The four-lane roads, manicured gardens and majestic statuettes of its rulers add to the grandeur of the city.

The design and architecture of the city's new buildings blends well with the old structures without losing its original identity — a city so different from what one would have imagined of a Central Asian city. It is immaculately clean. **Though 85% of the local population are Muslims by religion, the customs are relaxed. The women do not wear burkhas nor do you hear *Azam,* the Muslim prayers read five times a day. Men are clean shaven. The Madarasas which are generally used to impart religious teachings elsewhere, is used more to teach skills in Uzbekistan.**

Among the many attractions of Tashkent, it is impossible not to mention its bustling markets, aromas of eastern spices, ripe fruits and vegetables of Tashkent's Bazaars, the Chorsu Bazaar in particular in the centre of the city. It is a maze of little alleyways with merchants selling every conceivable item. It is a one stop shop for trinkets to carpets, clothing, ceramic pottery, etc. It is a miniature version of the Silk Route trade of the past.

We Indians are generally cost conscious and we quickly do a mental math of the prices of everything, both goods and services. Chorsu Bazaar promised to be a shopping paradise with prices for almost everything comparable to India — or a shade less expensive. Fruits in particular is exceptionally tasty and a delight to the eye. Uzbeks do not understand vegetarianism. **In their cuisine both camel meat and horse meat are delicacies!** If you are not in a mood to try it, remember to say "bez myasa" (without meat). A vegetarian can survive on just

Timur Lang

Lal Bahadur Shastri

Chorsu Bazaar

grapes, melons, plums, pomegranates, apples and bananas available in plenty.

Khast-Imom Complex is where the world famous Quran of Caliph Uthman, the world's oldest copy, which is said to date from the 7th century. The very impressive stately mosques endorsed Akbar's observation that rulers of Uzbekistan laid stress on grandeur of structures and promoted art and craft.

The **Minor Mosque,** also called the White Mosque, is a recent structure opened during 2014. More than 2,000 people assemble in the large decorated hall during Eid prayers. Amir Timur Square is in the centre of Tashkent city and in the centre is the grand monument of Amir Timur.

To visitors from India, a visit to Shastri Monument (our former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri) is a must see stops. Shastri died in Tashkent, what is believed to be, under mysterious circumstances, soon after signing the peace accord with Pakistan in 1966.The Street has been named Shastri Street in his honour.

Khiva, a museum city

In a way I was happy that we first visited Tashkent city before visiting Khiva. The contrast was visible. It was like we had travelled a few centuries into time. Khiva was an important city that connected China in the East and Rome in the West. It did brisk business during heydays of the silk trade and also for its notorious slave trade.

Khiva contains some of the best-preserved examples of Islamic architecture in Central Asia. The monuments are well-preserved and are a tourist delight. Having a good tourist guide which we were lucky to have, adds to the charm of the place and the memories can be lasting. Khiva is rightly called a museum city with 79 Mosques and 64 Madrasas preserved over centuries. It deserves being listed as a world heritage city by UNESCO.

A ten-metre high brick wall encircles the city with private dwellings that exist even to this day. The inner city stretches over two kilometres and has several narrow lanes criss-crossing the town. We had arrived in the noon and the shadows falling on the ancient structures were lengthening by the minute. The monotone mud walls seemed to come to life with the shadows in motion with the setting sun.

Bukhara

Bukhara is the next important trading post on the Silk route. This too has been listed as a heritage city by UNESCO with over 140 protected monuments. What sets Bukhara apart from other cities in Uzbekistan is its tag as an intellectual centre of the Islamic world. Poets Firdausi and Rudaki and philosopher Avicenna (Ibn Sina), equated to Newton and Shakespeare of the West, lived in this city. Bukhara is also a home of some of the most skilled artisans.

It is also among more vibrant cities with performing artistes showcasing Uzbek dances, music and clothing. The events are centred around Lyab Haux (meaning, by the pond) with restaurants and shops. The Kukeldash Madrasah, the largest in the city and the Khanaka Madrasah on either side of the pond adds to the vintage setting of the city centre. **There are remnants of the once vast market complexes that attract tourists in hordes not only to buy carpets and textiles, but also to see how the place was once used to rest the camels after crossing the deserts.**

Samarkhand

Samarkhand is the land where once Chengis Khan and later Timur the Lame who made this as their capital. Incidentally, Babur who established Mughal Dynasty in India hails from Samarkhand.

Samarkhand became an economic power-house and cultural centre in Central Asia. The principal features of Samarkand's ancient buildings are their splendid portals, their vast coloured domes and their remarkable exterior decorations in mosaic, marble and gold. The historic city was designated a UNESCO World Heritage site in 2001.

Rigestan Square, an impressive public square in the old city, is fronted by several Madrasas (Islamic schools) that of Timur's grandson, the astronomer Ulugh Beg. Interestingly, most important cities in Uzbekistan have a clear distinction of the old city and the new one. Identity of each is well-maintained and preserved.

It is surprising that so much less is known of this country, though it takes as much time to reach the place as it takes to reach Delhi from Bangalore. Weather-wise it is friendly to travel provided one avoids the winter months. Time-wise the difference is only thirty minutes and finally, cost-wise, it is very affordable compared to the West.

Don't forget to carry the 'Chutney Pudis' and pickles if you are a strict vegetarian. Lately, visas to enter the country can be obtained online. Good luck and Bon Voyage!

Ashvini Ranjan & group at Uzbekistan.

Mysore Varsity Hockey Team

The men's hockey team of University of Mysore (UoM) which will be taking part in the South Zone Inter-University Men's Hockey Tournament-2018 to be held at Acharya Nagarjuna University, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh, from Nov.12 to 14. Seen are (from left - standing) Belliappa, E.D. Ashik, K.D. Ashik, G.N. Varun, Deekshith, J. Balraj, Sharavan Changappa, Milan, Thimmaiah, Prakyath, Hrithik, Lithin, Kaushik & K.D. Kaveriappa; (sitting) Amith, Lehar (Captain), T. Ashok (Coach), Dr. P. Krishnaiah, in-Charge Director, Dept. of Physical Education, UoM, V.T. Manu (Manager) and Ayan.

City boy qualifies for National Road Cycling

Mysuru, Nov.12- K.V. Vyshak, a promising cyclist from Mysuru, has won two gold medals at the recently concluded National Mountain Biking Championship at Pune.

Vyshak, aged 18, participated in 'Junior-Men' category. He is a student of JSS Polytechnic, Mysuru. Vyshak won gold medals in both 'Individual Time Trial' and 'Massed Start' events and he is the current Junior Men National Champion.

He has also qualified for 23rd National Road Cycling Championship 2018 and he becomes the only cyclist from Mysuru to qualify this year for the National Road Cycling Competition that will be held at Kurukshetra, Haryana, from Nov.21 to 24.

K.V. Vyshak

Vyshak is training under Ekalavya awardee Lokesh Narasimhachar, who also hails from Mysuru.

15th National MBT Cycling Competition

Rich haul of medals for Mysuru cyclists

A group photo of the Mysuru cyclists who won medals in the 15th National-level Mountain Bike Cycling Competition held at Pune recently. Seen are (from left) Nagaraj (Coach), Hasmukh, Adonis, Charith Gowda, Kamalraj and Karen Marshall.

Mysuru, Nov.12- Mysuru cyclists, taking part in the 15th National-level Mountain Bike Cycling Competition held at Pune recently, conducted by CFI jointly with Giant Starkenn, bagged four gold, five silver and one bronze medal at the Championships.

Hasmukh won 2 silver medals in the U-16 age category, Adonis - 2 gold in U-18; Charith Gowda - 2 gold in U-14; Kamalraj - 2 silver in U-18 and Karen Marshall - 1 silver and 1 bronze medal in U-14 category.

Karnataka won the Overall Championship title in the National Championship.

All the cyclists are trained under Nagaraj in Mysuru.

Winners of Inter-School Basketball Tournament

At the Inter-School Basketball Tournament hosted by St. Joseph's Central School, Yelwal, in association with Mysore Sahodaya School Complex, St. Joseph's Central School Yelwal emerged winners. DAV School emerged runners-up. The victorious team led by Captain C. Prathik is seen receiving the trophy from the chief guest during the valedictory Krishna Bangera, Principal of Podar International School and President of MSSC; Elizabeth S. Thomas, Principal and Rev. Fr. Sudhakar, Priest in-Charge. Other team members, HMs and PE Teachers were present on the occasion.

Excel in Inter-Collegiate Softball Championship

ATME Boys Softball Team won the 'VTU Rest of Benagaluru Zone and Inter Zone Inter-Collegiate Softball Championship 2018-19' organised by SJMIT Chitradurga in its College campus recently, for 5th time in succession. In the final, ATME Mysuru beat NIE Mysuru by 10-3. The winning team — (standing) Prashanth, Nischith, Yashwanth, Sumanth, Santhosh, Chirag, Bhuvan, Chandhu, Surya and Pavan; (sitting) Adharsh, Harshith, Pramath, Vedith, Prashanth, Jayanth, Chandan and Dhananjaya — is seen with Principal Dr. L. Basavaraj, PE Director M.P. Muralidhar and Team Manager H.G. Nandeesh. Picture right shows ATME girls softball team that secured runners-up position at 'VTU Single Zone Inter-Collegiate Softball Championship 2018-19' for the second time in succession. In the runners-up match, ATME beat Acharya IT, Bengaluru. Seen are (standing) Lavanya, Tejaswini, Sangeetha, Monica, Rachana, Pallavi, Sindhu, Varsha and Navya; (sitting) Preethi, Hithashree, Megana Urs (Captain), Prapulla, Meghana Reddy and Chandu.

My Circle, your Circle, whose Circle is it?

Circle renaming fine, but has it really made a difference?

By S.B. Devaraju

Mysuru, Nov. 12- Our city is continuously going through the phase of renaming where Circles, roads and junctions are renamed after prominent personalities. So much so that the well-known names of particular roads, in practice from the days of the British Raj, are renamed to either localise the area or to name them in remembrance of leaders – remember how Madras became Chennai and Bombay became Mumbai. The latest prominent city to be renamed soon is Gujarat's Ahmedabad that will be renamed as Karnavati.

Coming back to Mysuru where a host of roads and Circles have been renamed after well-known political, spiritual and social personalities, one wonders what difference has it made after rechristening? Surprisingly, renaming of streets and localities has evoked little protest from the people. In fact, this has been welcomed by the people and the area Corporators.

The purpose of renaming is to recall the contribution of personalities to the society. They are renamed so that people passing by that Circle or on that road can recollect the services of that particular person in whose name the road or Circle exists. In a way, names of personalities are a landmark from where people can take inspiration to do something good for the society.

But unfortunately, most of the names of the Circles or roads have retained their old names in popular parlance and despite renaming people call the places by their old names. The classic example here is Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle. Ask an autorickshaw driver to take you to Jayachamaraja Wadiyar Circle, he will be confused. But if you say its old name (Hardinge Circle or '6 Gate'), he will immediately recognise the place.

An exception to this, however, is the Krishnarajendra Circle and the Chamaraja Circle as these two names have been well-etched in public memory. Even many would not know that K.R. Circle stands for Krishnarajendra Circle though almost everyone who comes to the city invariably passes through the K.R. Circle.

Likewise, everyone recognises Metropole Circle as it is near the landmark Metropole Hotel but many would not recognise its new name — Field Marshal K.M. Cariappa Circle. Similarly, take an auto and say FTS Circle and the auto driver takes you there without any confusion. But if you mention B.R. Ambedkar Circle (the new name of FTS Circle), the auto driver might ask you the route.

The Fountain Circle still retains its old name as there is a fountain there instead of its new name – Dr. Rajkumar Circle. The Circle on the Bengaluru Road near LIC Head Office is seldom called by its new name – T.N. Narasimhamurthy Circle. The Circle is still called LIC Circle or Millennium Circle. Akashavani Circle retains its old name in conversations instead of its new name – Ta.Ra.Su Circle named after famous Kannada littérateur Ta.Ra. Subbarao.

Similarly, old names like Highway Circle (new name Moulana Abul Kalam Azad Circle), Nanjumalige Circle (Kanaka Circle), BGS Apollo Hospital Circle (Sri Balagangadharanatha Swamiji Circle), Ballal Circle (Ashoka Circle), Akshaya Bhandar Circle (Prof. U.R. Ananthamurthy Circle), Vontikoppal Sri Lakshmivenkataramanaswamy Temple Circle (B.C. Lingaiah, Chikkannadasa Circle), Railway Station Circle (Babu Jagjivan Ram Circle), RTO Circle (Srikanteshwara Iyer Circle), Vijaya Bank Circle (former CM S. Nijalingappa Circle), Jayanagar Railway Bridge Circle (Kannegowda Circle), Kantharaj Urs Road-K.G. Koppal Junction (freedom fighter Barakki Ramegowda Circle), Bogadi Road-Manasagangothri Campus Junction (P.R. Thippeswamy Circle), Paduvarahalli Signal (S. Venkataramaiah Circle), SDM-MMK Circle (Vedanta Hemmige Circle) MUDA Circle (new name Jois Circle) have been retained when the public mention these Circles in their day-to-day activities. New names are hardly mentioned and even if they are mentioned by the new names, there may be very few to recognise that Circle.

Forget Circles, even some roads that have been renamed have retained their old names. For example, the Bus Depot Road at Bannimantap which is seldom called Nelson Mandela Road. Likewise, Old RMC Road is still referred by its old name instead of being called Sheshadri Iyer Road. No one will recognise the Chikkaboraiah Road in Vijayanagar but if you call by its old name – High Tension Road – everyone will recognise the same.

So, what is the solution for this problem and how to tackle this? Do our duties end after a Circle or a road is renamed? No. Efforts must be initiated to make the new names familiar by constantly mentioning them so that they can be retained in memory. School and college students must be sensitised about the new names and must be told about the purpose of renaming the particular Circle after a famous personality.

Also, the new names must figure in display boards outside the buses and at the same time announced inside the bus either by the conductor or through the automatic electronic announcement system. Rallies and marathons can be organised through these Circles so that the names become familiar.

Is this the honour we are giving to Ta.Ra.Su?

Mysuru, Nov. 12 (RKB)- Among the many Circles that found new names in city is the Akashavani Circle that has been rechristened as Ta.Ra.Su Circle.

Ta.Ra.Su or Ta.Ra. Subba Rao is a noted Kannada littérateur (Taluku Ramaswami Subba Rao) and is considered as a harbinger of the Navya movement of Kannada literature.

The Akashavani Circle is near the Cheluvamba Park at Yadavagiri and has been renamed in honour of Subba Rao who has contributed a lot to the society through his writings. But unfortunately, after renaming the Circle, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) has forgotten about it.

Due to footpath works, the name board that carried the name of Ta.Ra.Su was uprooted by an earth mover for it to be restored later. But even after the completion of the footpath works, the name board has not been restored. It is lying broken on one side of the footpath.

The name board, installed amidst mush fanfare, is lying in a state of neglect near an apartment complex nearby. Seeing the state of the name board, people have questioned the rationale behind the renaming of a Circle when the MCC cannot maintain it.

Does Ta.Ra.Su, who has given novels – most of them have been made as super hit movies – like Hamsageetha, Chandavalli Thota, Nagarahavu, Benkiya Bale, Gaali Maathu, Masanada Hoovu deserve this fate?

Political interference hinders decision making at Vani Vilas Water Works

VVWW Executive Engineer expresses helplessness at MGP Meeting

Vani Vilas Water Works officials seen in an interaction meeting with Mysore Grahakara Parishat members at its office in Yadavagiri yesterday.

Mysuru, Nov.12 (SPN&NNN)- The Vani Vilas Water Works (VVWW) officials many a times cannot take decisions in the interest of the public on their own because of the political interference, said Executive Engineer Harish, expressing his helplessness.

He was speaking at an interaction meeting on "Distribution of drinking water, pros and cons' organised by the Mysore Grahakara Parishat (MGP) at its general meeting in its Yadavagiri office, here yesterday.

VVWW officials cannot take any decisions on their own as they have to abide by the decisions taken in the Council meetings of Mysuru City Corporation (MCC) as also the pull and pressures of the elected representatives and the needs of the public, he said reacting to a question from one of the members of MGP.

He was also replying to a few questions posed by the MGP members in advance, regarding the JUSCO (Jamshedpur Utilities and Services Company) issue and the problems they had left behind, on 24X7 water supply to all 65 wards, whether VVWW has anticipated any problem in water supply despite the KRS being full, how much political pressure is there with regard to disconnection of water supply for non-paying customers and a few others, Harish and his officials were forthright in their replies without resorting to evasive answers.

On JUSCO he said that VVWW is using both the hardware and software assets installed by JUSCO. While JUSCO was active, some DMAs (District Metered Area) were getting 24X7 water supply. But no one is getting 24x7 supply today. JUSCO had completed 47 DMAs before leaving and VVWW are using the pipelines laid out in 42 DMAs and will start using the remaining soon. VVWW has plans to install new pipelines in the remaining 23 DMAs to give 24X7 water supply in the future under AMRUT (Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation).

He said that with the grants from the Central and State Governments, new pipelines will be laid for supply of drinking water in the majority of the wards under MCC limits and 66 KW electricity connection will be given.

VVWW has the responsibility to provide drinking water to 1.56 lakh houses in the city and out of this nearly Rs. 3.50 crore to Rs. 4 crore is being collected from 1.36 lakh houses per month. In the remaining houses due to technical problems water bill is not being collected, he said.

Apart from this, Water Works has the responsibility of supplying water to 10,000 commercial units, 6,000 small industries and 4,000 industries. Since there is political interference at times, the officials of the VVWW will not take any decisions but instead according to the directions of the MCC, noted Harish.

There is huge pressure to see that 24X7 water supply is provided as the city is growing, it is a tourist centre and also had bagged the cleanest city tag twice. When a member brought this issue to the notice of Harish, he said that this issue can be discussed only at the Government level and not at his level.

The Second Stage of Melapura drinking water project is fulfilling the needs of city through 11 KW line and even if there is a little disturbance then there will be disruption in water supply. To prevent this the work on the 66 KW line is going on. Once this is completed the problems the people of NR and Vijayanagar Assembly segments are facing will be mitigated, he said.

There are several complaints regarding the paying of water bill being faced by senior citizens. If this has to be stopped then a separate tax and audit department has to be opened in VVWW. Discussion is going on with the MCC Commissioner pertaining to this issue, said Harish in reply to another question from a member.

MGP Working President Prof. Sobana, Members Bhamy V. Shenoy, K.S. Venkatesh, M. Janakiraman, H.R. Balakrishna, Renu Agarwal, K.V. Ramnath, Ravindra Bekal, Prof. R. Chandraprakash, Maj. General S.G. Vombatkere (Retd.), P.M. Bhat, Srimathi Hariprasad, Pradeep Kumar, Raghavendra, Usha Narang, VVWW officials, AEE Lingaraju, AE Manjunath, B.L. Girsh, A.A. Muddumallegowda, JE T.G. Nagarajegowda and others were present.

Members' suggestions

1. Every month an 'Adalat' must be conducted to hear to the grievances of the public regarding water supply and other problems
2. MCC should concentrate on water leakage
3. To strengthen the MCC Act to prevent water bill arrears and constitute a special task force team to collect Rs. 58 crore arrears
4. Incentives for people who are prompt payers of water bill
5. To simplify meter installation and replacement process

TEASER By N. Prakash

Mayoral race hots up as Congress-JD(S) battle for post

Mysuru, Nov.12 (DM) - Even as former Chief Minister and JD(S)-Congress coalition Government Co-ordination Committee Chairman Siddharamaiah on Sunday assured of making sincere efforts to make Congress party Corporator as Mysuru Mayor.

District Minister G.T. Devegowda is said to have convened a meeting of JD(S) Corporators and party leaders at a hotel here this afternoon to discuss the Mayoral Polls.

Addressing a Congress party workers meeting on Sunday, Siddharamaiah said that he will discuss the Mysuru Mayor issue with Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy and JD(S) Supremo H. D. Deve Gowda.

Even though the JD(S) and Congress are running a Coalition Government in the State the two parties are yet to come to an understanding on the Mayor post, even as the Mayoral polls is likely to take place on Nov.17.

While the post of Mayor is reserved for General Category (Woman), the Deputy Mayor's post is reserved for Backward Classes A (BC-A) category.

Out of the 65 wards, the BJP has 22, Congress 19, JD(S) 18 members and BSP 1 member and the rest five are independents in the 65 member MCC body.

AIISH Faculty for Singapore

Dr. Ajish K. Abraham

Mysuru, Nov. 12- Dr. Ajish K. Abraham, Professor, Dept. of Electronics, All India Institute of Speech & Hearing (AIISH), Mysore has been invited by the Department of Computer Science, School of Computing, National University of Singapore (NUS) to deliver a talk on Nov. 23.

He will be delivering the talk on "Research problems in speech processing for speech and hearing disorders".

During this visit, Dr. Ajish will also interact with the faculty of NUS regarding possible collaborations in the area of speech processing for rehabilitation of persons with communication disorders.

Dr. Ajish has also been invited for the 20th Annual Conference of the "World Academy of Science Engineering and Technology (WASET)" to be held at Kyoto, Japan on Nov. 15 and 16 where he will present a paper titled "Efficacy of a Wiener filter based technique for speech enhancement in hearing aids."

WORD OF THE DAY

Connive

Pronunciation: kuh-NYVE

Meaning: To pretend ignorance of or fail to take action against something one ought to oppose; to be indulgent or in secret sympathy.

Origin: Connive may not seem like a troublesome term, but it was to Wilson Follett, a usage critic who lamented that the word "was undone during the Second World War, when restless spirits felt the need of a new synonym for plotting, bribing, spying, conspiring, engineering a coup, preparing a secret attack." Follett thought connive should only mean "to wink at" or "to pretend ignorance." Those senses are closer to the Latin ancestor of the word: connive comes from the Latin connivere, which means "to close the eyes" and which is descended from - nivere, a form akin to the Latin verb nictare, meaning "to wink." But many English speakers disagreed, and the "conspire" sense is now the word's most widely used meaning.

Example: An attempt on the part of the Ultras to regain their ascendancy over the king, by conniving at the sudden return of Blacas from Rome to Paris, 3 ended in failure.

THE ODD WORD

Concinnity

Elegance or neatness of literary or artistic style.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Come up trumps

Meaning: To complete something well or successfully, especially in circumstances in which it is not expected.

Origin: 'Come up trumps' is a variant of the older phrase 'turn up trumps,' which has been in use since the early 17th century. The word trump in this context is a corruption of triumph, which was the name of a card game, similar to whist, that was played in the 17th century. The preacher Hugh Latimer referred to it in his 1st Sermon on the Card, 1529: "The game that wee wyll playe at, shall bee called the triumphe. Lette therefore euery Christian manne and woman playe at these cardes." Encouraging card playing is hardly Christian orthodoxy these days nor was it in 1529, but then Latimer was far from orthodox in his religious views - which resulted in him being burned at the stake.

Example: Dwayne has come up trumps with a goal worthy of winning any match.

QUOTE BOX

People shouldn't be afraid of their government. Governments should be afraid of their people. **—Alan Moore**

RIDDLE THIS

Solve this rebus:

Answer: Man overboard.

SUDOKU

		2						4
	4	6		1				
			4			2		8
			1		8	9	6	
		3		6		5		
	6	8	7		3			
4		9			5			
				4		8	5	
7						4		

Answer to previous puzzle

6	2	9	7	4	1	3	8	5
4	7	8	2	3	5	9	6	1
1	3	5	8	6	9	2	7	4
8	6	3	4	7	2	5	1	9
5	9	4	1	8	6	7	2	3
7	1	2	9	5	3	8	4	6
9	8	1	5	2	4	6	3	7
3	4	7	6	9	8	1	5	2
2	5	6	3	1	7	4	9	8

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

CROSS WORD

ACROSS:

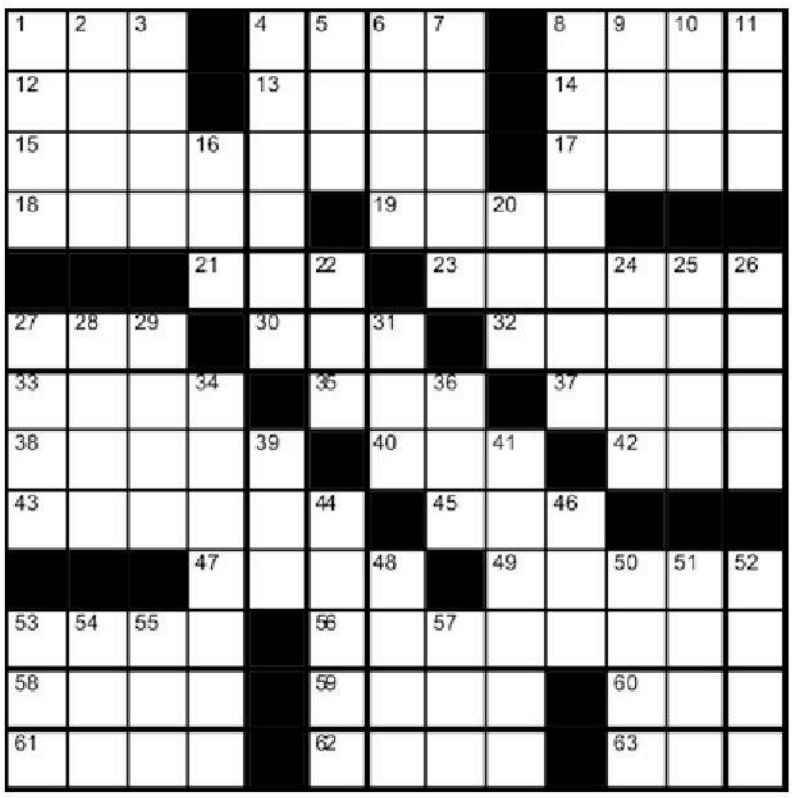
1 Pakistan's intelligence agency
4 Nadal's nickname
8 Small commercial vehicles used for carrying light cargo
12 National Weather Serv.
13 "Been" anagram for Swiss watch manufacturers?
14 Absent without permission in the army
15 Wire in electric bulb
17 Recent information
18 Last Greek letter
19 Of Indian or local origin
21 A type of sea-eagle
23 Muslim sovereign?
27 Ask for alms
30 Drowsy state produced by bhang etc.
32 Slang word for chap, guy
33 Double reed
35 Couch or cot
37 Tell __ ___ : speak untruth? (1,3)
38 Toy figures
40 Wooden peg, pin, or block
42 Actual Navigation Performance
43 Make beloved
45 Long-sleeved linen vestment
47 Amongst or surrounded by
49 ___ the running : having little or no chance of success? (3,2)
53 Arabian gulf country
56 Holy place for majority of Indians
58 Discontinuity between earth's crust and mantle
59 In _ __ : stagnant? (1,3)
60 Superpower nation
61 The sun, for example
62 Nether limbs
63 Total Air Temperature

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

R	E	C	K	■	C	O	C	A	■	P	E	P
A	L	A	N	■	A	N	U	P	■	A	X	E
B	A	R	E	■	P	O	S	I	T	R	O	N
I	M	P	A	L	A	■	P	O	U	T	■	■
■	■	■	D	E	B	T	S	■	N	I	N	A
M	A	R	S	A	L	A	■	P	A	C	E	D
A	R	E	■	P	E	N	C	E	■	L	E	O
L	I	S	P	S	■	G	A	R	T	E	R	S
A	L	T	O	■	S	O	U	S	A	■	■	■
■	■	O	U	S	E	■	V	E	S	T	A	S
G	A	R	R	O	T	T	E	■	M	A	R	Y
U	S	E	■	L	A	I	R	■	A	R	U	N
M	S	S	■	E	E	L	Y	■	N	O	T	E

DOWN

1 "Information" in short?
2 Do not sink?
3 A small island
4 Comment
5 Little Mr. Lincoln?
6 Ward off or repel
7 Chips in at stud
8 Popular ice-cream flavour
9 Great respect
10 ___and then : from time to time; intermittently?
11 Satellite Landing Sys.
16 An eon or an epoch
20 ___ for : be a substitute for?
22 The peak of a cap
24 Indian unit of weight
25 Of like nature or related
26 A turnip, in slang usage?
27 Foretell; be an omen of
28 Black, poetically speaking?
29 Precious metal
31 English marsh
34 "Nora Lee" is another girl!
36 Dead on arr.
39 U.S. Govt. Uncle ___
41 Shows unholy glee?
44 Competitor in a race
46 Round bread roll
48 Don't be afraid!
50 Tense or tightly stretched
51 Greek peak
52 Edict, an absolute order
53 On-Board Maintenance Sys.
54 A witty remark; as in, "bon ___"?
55 "Take On Me" group
57 Floor covering



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

MB MG H WRRX CRIPMPW OJOIZMGO YRI H IOGOHIZU

GZMOPBMGB BR XMGZHIX H FOB UQFRBUOGMG OTOIQ

XHQ LOYRIO LIOHDYHGB. MB DOOFG UMC QRKPW

TODAY'S CLUE: W EQUALS G

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: My religion consists of a humble admiration of the illimitable superior spirit who reveals himself in the slight details we are able to perceive with our frail and feeble mind.

Now SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
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HINDI			
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	(S-4)	6.50 pm, 9.55 pm
The Grinch (E)	(S-1)	1.30 pm
	(S-3)	4.40 pm
Sarkar (Ta)	(S-1)	6.45 pm
	(S-2)	10.00 am, 4.25 pm, 9.55 pm
	(S-3)	1.30 pm
Badhaai Ho (H)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
The Villian (K)	(S-3)	10.10 am
Victory 2 (K)	(S-3)	6.45 pm, 9.50 pm
Manasina Mareyali (K)	(S-4)	10.20 am
Galli Bakery (K)	(S-4)	1.05 pm
Sa. Hi. Pra. Shale (K)	(S-4)	4.00 pm

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Thugs of Hindostan (H)	(S-1)	9.50 am
	(S-2)	8.30 am, 11.40 am, 3 pm 6.25 pm, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	5.45 pm, 9.05 pm
Sarkar (Ta)	(S-1)	8.35 am, 11.55 am, 3.15 pm, 6.35 pm, 9.55 pm
The Villian (K)	(S-4)	11.25 pm
Victory 2 (K)	(S-3)	4.30 pm, 9.40 pm
The Grinch (E)	(S-3)	7.35 pm
	(S-4)	9.30 am
MLA (K)	(S-4)	2.50 pm
Jagath Kiladi (K)	(S-3)	1.10 pm

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Sarkar (Ta)	10.30 am, 2 pm, 5.30 pm, 9 pm
Victory 2 (K)	10.45 am, 4.20 pm
Thugs of Hindostan (H)	11.00 am, 11.30 am, 3 pm, 6.30 pm, 9 pm 10 pm
The Grinch (E)	2 pm, 7:30 pm
MLA (K)	2.30 pm
Jagath Kiladi (K)	5.40 pm
The Villain (K)	9.45 pm

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Samvahana Siri award conferred on Dr. Nandish Hanche

'Samvahana Siri' awardee critic Dr. Nandish Hanche and littérateur Dr. Ramegowda, who were felicitated at a programme at Sri Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital premises in city yesterday, are seen with the dignitaries.

Mysuru, Nov.12 (RKB&US)-Marking Kannada Rajyotsava, Samvahana Trust had organised a function at Sri Rajendra Bhavan in JSS Hospital premises here yesterday to confer 'Samvahana Siri' award on critic Dr. Nandish Hanche and also to felicitate littérateur Dr. Ramegowda.

Inaugurating the programme, District in-Charge Minister G.T. Devegowda commended the Trust for promoting literary activities. He opined that people should support good literature and art without any bias or prejudice. He felicitated Dr. Ramegowda.

The award 'Samvahana Siri' was conferred on Dr. Nandish Hanche by Senior Journalist Ravindra Bhat.

Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS) Director Dr. Nilagiri M. Talwar presided.

Hosamutt Seer Sri Chidanananda Swamiji graced the occasion.

Trust President D.N. Lokappa Hon. President Thontadarya and others were present.

EVENTS TODAY (NOV.12)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: 14th edition of Bombe Mane, Pratima Gallery, located above Aamrapali Sarees' Showroom, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**

Talukina Venkanaiah Smaraka Granthamale, Karnataka Vichara Vedike, District Kannada Sahitya Parishat and Sahitya Kalakoota, Mysuru: Book release — 'Nadaprabhu Kempegowda' authored by Dr. Malali Vasanthakumar — by Tarini Chidananda (*Rashtrakavi* Kuvempu's daughter), former VC of Kuvempu University Dr. K. Chidanandagowda presides, scholar Dr. RaGow and poetess Dr. Latha Rajashekar chief guests, Institution of Engineers (IEI), JLB Road, **4.30 pm.**

Haridasa Sangeetha Sahityotsava Samithi: 'Bhavasameera Sri Vadiraja Vaibhavam' Music Fest, Nada-Moda Jugalbandi by Dr. V. Venkateshacharya Kulkarni, Dr. Vijayeendracharya, V. Ananth Kulkarni and V. Raichur Seshagiridas, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **5 pm to 8 pm.**

Sanchalana Children's Theatre Festival

Sanchalana, Mysuru, Karnataka Nataka Academy and Dept. of Kannada & Culture: Sanchalana Children's Theatre Fest, **'Gadiya Dweepagalu'** by Mysore Mime Team & **'Chitrapata Ramayana'** by Arivu Trust, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (NOV.13)

Ramsons Kala Pratishtana: 14th edition of Bombe Mane, Pratima Gallery, located above Aamrapali Sarees' Showroom, Nazarbad Main Road, **10 am to 7.30 pm.**

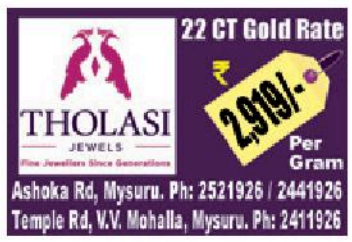
HaMaNa Pratishtana, Mysuru and Kuvempu Institute of Kannada Studies (KIKS), University of Mysore (UoM): Dr. Ha.Ma. Nayak Memorial Lecture on 'Bharatada Prastuta Samajika mattu Parisara Vidyamanagalu' by Dr. A.N. Yallappa Reddy, HaMaNa Pratishtana President Dr. S.L. Bhyrappa presides, B.M. Sri auditorium, KIKS premises, Manasagangothri, **4.30 pm.**

Haridasa Sangeetha Sahityotsava Samithi: 'Bhavasameera Sri Vadiraja Vaibhavam' Music Fest, Nada-Gana by Dr. Vijayeendracharya and Pandit V. Jayatheertha Mevundi, Sarada Vilas Centenary Hall, Krishnamurthypuram, **5 pm to 8 pm.**

The Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: Technical Lecture on 'Current status of electricity in the State, problems and challenges' by KPTCLAEE D.P. Srinivasa Murthy, IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Suresh presides, Institution premises, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Noopura Kalavidaru Samskrutika Trust: Children's Day celebrations, Bharatanatyam by children, accompanied by Natyacharya Prof. K. Ramamurthy Rao - natuvanga, Indrani Anantaram - vocal, M.R. Hanumantaraju - mridanga, M. Rajesh (Srirangapatna) - flute and Raghavendra Prasad - rhythm pad, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

Sanchalana, Mysuru, Karnataka Nataka Academy and Department of Kannada and Culture: Sanchalana Children's Theatre Festival, Bharatanatyam by students of Ayama Academy of Fine Arts and 'Mahabhojana' by students of Adamya Rangashale, Mini Theatre, Kalamandira premises, **6.30 pm.**



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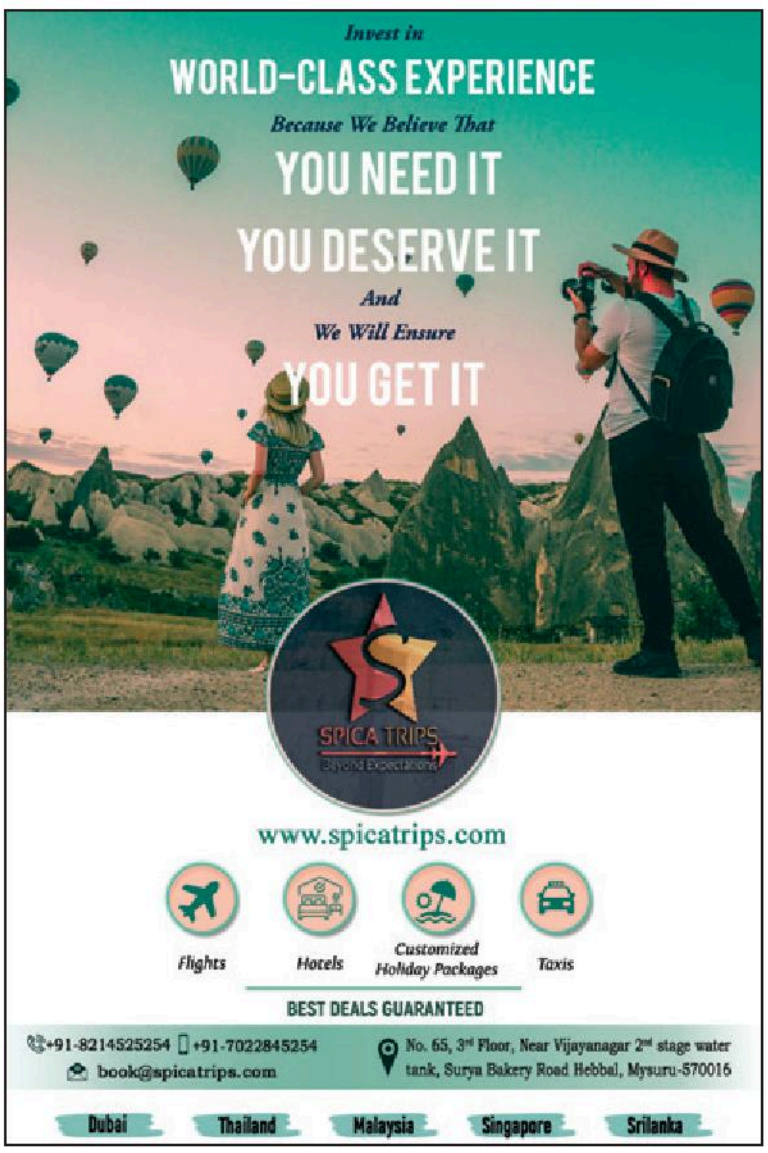

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